

ISRAEL SHIPS STRUCK IN PORT

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — All Israel flag ships will be stopped from sailing from the country's ports, as of six o'clock this morning, in line with sanctions adopted by the ratings seamen's union. About a dozen Israel ships are now docked in the country's three ports. Three of them were due to sail today.

The union decided on this "partial strike" at an extraordinary meeting on Friday of the secretaries of the three divisions — deck, engine hands and catering staff — that make up the union. The union spokesman said negotiations with the shipping companies on a new labour contract had reached a deadlock.

The union filed notice of a labour dispute with the Labour Ministry's chief labour relations officer a month ago, so that no further notice was necessary before declaring the strike, the spokesman said. He declined to specify the union's claims.

The shipping companies spokesman said the seamen had been offered a 40 per cent rise over two years, the same granted the officers. Last week the union presented new demands which amounted to a rise of 86 per cent for this year alone. The companies had rejected this claim out of hand.

The ratings' decision hit the shipping community like a thunderbolt, and caused widespread dismay. Sailing schedules will be completely disrupted, resulting in congestion in the ports, which are already under great pressure (See "Shipwreck" page 3). The secretary of the Ship-owners Council, Arieh Meshulam, told *The Post* that the strike would particularly hit exports which would miss their delivery dates if it lasts for any length of time. Particularly affected will be potato exports. Foreign ships will not be affected by the strike.

Truck 'crawl' today on Jerusalem highway

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The nation's truckers are going ahead this morning with their plan to have over 200 lorries drive from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem at slow speed — a move expected to disrupt traffic on the busy highway. The protest move is being staged by the Israel Trucking Board which comprises seven companies with a total fleet of 5,000 trucks. They claim the government is "dragging its feet" on their demands for a 28 per cent increase in freight charges.

The truckers plan to send another 200 lorries at slow speed to Jerusalem tomorrow. *The Post* learns that the truckers may escalate their sanctions on Tuesday by refusing to haul cement and petrol.

AFTER MIDNIGHT
Israel will be able to import only half of the quantity of soy beans which it has purchased from the U.S. because of American restrictions on exporting the commodity, Israel Radio's correspondent in Washington reported last night. Israel has purchased 90,000 tons of soy beans but the U.S. will permit the export of only 45,000 tons.



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THE AREAS: DAYAN-SAPIR GAP NARROWS

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The differences between Finance Minister Pinchas Sapir and Defence Minister Moshe Dayan on policy in the territories have narrowed considerably, authoritative Labour Party sources said last night.

The Minister Without Portfolio, Mr. Sapir, is said to have been "very busy" over the weekend in talks with his senior colleagues, particularly Mr. Sapir and Mr. Dayan. Mr. Sapir is assisting Prime Minister Golda Meir in her efforts to produce a joint formula in time for the third and final session of the party leadership, due to be held in her Jerusalem office tomorrow.

This formula would be included in the Party's election platform.

According to party sources progress has been made in discussions of funds to carry out Mr. Dayan's working programme for development projects for the refugees and for additional Jewish settlement in the territories. Mr. Dayan has been speaking of a sum in the region of IL1,500m. and Mr. Sapir is said to have agreed to find a maximum of IL1,200m.

In the light of this, well-placed Labour Party sources say that the crisis in the party is ended. It emerges that the Labour Party leadership has agreed to most of the points Mr. Dayan has raised on development in the territories, including the sale of land sales beyond the Green Line.

Mr. Dayan has a powerful supporter in Justice Minister Ya'acov Shimshon Shapiro. It would appear that Mr. Shapiro's compromise formula — under which land sales would be handled through a government authority with strict precautions to avoid speculation — will be acceptable.

Mr. Dayan has also gained agreement for part of his plan to build a new urban centre on the Sinai coast, to be called Yamit. It has apparently been agreed to expedite the building of the centre, but there is firm opposition to the proposal for a deep sea port there. This is considered economically not viable for the time being. It is said that it would involve a tremendous investment which is not considered justifiable at present.

Mr. Dayan is also gaining support for his demand for expansion to the north, south and east of Jerusalem.

State buys land

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Israel Lands Administration has been and is continuing to buy land from Arabs in the administered areas. This was stated Friday night by the Administration's director, Aluf (Res.) Meir Zorea, who said that land was being acquired from Arabs in the areas either by exchanging tracks of public land in the territories or through direct purchase. Speaking in an interview on the Army radio, Mr. Zorea said this was a long drawn-out process. "But this land has been waiting for us for 2,000 years, so there is no rush," he added.

Civil war warning in Cyprus

NICOSIA (AP). — General George Grivas, the underground leader, issued what he called a final warning to Cyprus President Archbishop Makarios yesterday, threatening war, if his terms continue to be rejected.

"If he wants war he will have it... this is my final warning," Grivas declared.

The threat was contained in a lengthy six-page typewritten statement bearing Grivas' handwritten signature in ink, which was distributed to three Greek Cypriot right-wing papers.

The statement was Grivas' reply to the rejection by Makarios of terms he submitted to him last Thursday for the release of Minister of Justice Christos Vakis, who was kidnapped nine days ago.

START TALKS, SISCO URGES

Jerusalem Post Reporter
U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco called on both Israel and Egypt to reassess their positions and try to get the negotiating process started. Reiterating that the U.S. had no proposals of its own to make, he said Washington would continue in efforts to help try open negotiations.

Speaking in an interview with Israel Television Friday night, Mr. Sisco said any U.S. influence should be exercised in the context of negotiations and not in the abstract. Mr. Sisco said Israel and American interests in the Middle East were parallel in many respects, but not synonymous. There was in-

creasing concern in the U.S. over the energy question and it would be foolhardy to believe this was not a factor in the situation. The U.S. has important political, economic and strategic interests in the entire area, including the Persian Gulf and the Arab Peninsula, which go beyond those of any other nation, he said, and it had to take these interests into account.

The cease-fire between Israel and Egypt had now been in force for three years and the U.S. and the Soviet Union had adopted a policy of non-confrontation by the longer there was no solution in the crisis the harder it would be to achieve one, Mr. Sisco said.

Cairo plans crackdown on leftists

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

The Egyptian authorities were reported yesterday to be planning to crack down on a "new left" movement which is said to have instigated riots in a Cairo suburb and a Nile Delta village recently.

The usually reliable "Arab Weekly" report in Beirut's leading newspaper, "An-Nahar," said that the Egyptian authorities were preparing to act against the leftist circles, who are accused of "sending peasants to the front."

The "An-Nahar" report indicated that the leftists were Moscow-oriented Communists critical of Sadat for allowing relations with the Soviet Union to become strained. The report hinted that the Communists were exploiting Sadat's hesitancy over the projected merger with Libya.

Egyptian Deputy Premier Abdul-Kader Hatem arrived in Libya yesterday at the head of a high-level delegation to discuss the controversial union.

In a dispatch from Cairo, "An-Nahar" said Friday points of difference revolve around these issues:

- Libya favours a pan-Arab battle for the "liberation of Palestine" (in effect, the liquidation of Israel), whereas Egypt calls for the "liberation of territories occupied in 1967."
- Libya advocates a popular revolution in Egypt.
- Libya believes that the Koran should be the source of legislation in all Arab states.

Killing may have foiled hijack suicide attack

The chase after Black September leader Ali Hassan Salameh — known also as Abu Hassan — in Norway may have foiled a "kamikaze" suicide mission to Haifa by the hijacked Japanese jumbo jet, according to Radio Europe One. The French radio station recalled last week that Ahmed Bouchlid was killed in Lillehammer on Friday, July 21, the day that the Japanese plane was hijacked by Arab terrorists shortly after take-off from Amsterdam. It was the chase after Hassan Salameh, the son of Arab terrorist leader Salameh — who was killed in 1948 in the battle for Yasser and Abu Kabir near Tel Aviv — that brought the suspected killers of Bouchlid to Lillehammer.

Apparently aware of the fact that he was being followed, Hassan Salameh went into hiding and failed to make radio contact with the hijackers of the Japanese plane. The hijackers thus had to act without instructions following the death of their woman leader on the plane when a hand-grenade exploded.

Hassan Salameh has taken credit for the Munich massacre last year and is known to have been the mastermind behind other terror acts.

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Norway denies access to detained Israelis



About 200 persons took part in a peaceful demonstration, heavily guarded by police, outside the Israeli Embassy in Oslo on Friday night. The 20-minute demonstration was staged by pro-Palestinian and left-wing organizations.

Cabinet meets in Oslo

OSLO. — The Norwegian Government yesterday discussed possible repercussions for Norwegian-Israeli relations because of the killing of Ahmed Bouchlid, a 30-year-old Moroccan, in Lillehammer, 130 kms. north of here, two weeks ago.

Foreign Minister Dagfinn Vaarvik, who led the Cabinet meeting in Prime Minister Lars Korvald's absence, said he briefed the Cabinet on the political aspects of the case. No decisions were made.

The killing of Bouchlid on July 21 by an alleged pro-Israeli group became a foreign policy matter when two of six suspects were arrested in the Oslo apartment of the Israeli Embassy security officer, Yigal Eyal.

Meanwhile, Norwegian officials again turned down the request by Israeli officials to meet the suspects jailed in the murder case. Meir Rosenne, head of the Legal Division of Israel's Foreign Ministry, had another meeting on Friday with Norwegian officials and renewed the request to be allowed to meet Israeli citizens detained in various Norwegian prisons. But Rosenne, who was accompanied by Israel Ambassador Yitzhak Keinan, was again turned down, informed sources said.

The six suspects, who include two women, may not receive or send letters or see anyone but Norwegian lawyers appointed to defend them in the forthcoming trial, according to Magistrate Court stipulations.

The six, charged with being accessories to the murder of a Moroccan and with carrying out illegal intelligence activity, will also be tried under Norway's treason laws, it was reported yesterday.

Legal experts said the tribunal would probably consist of three professional judges and four lay judges, who would pass sentence in the event of a conviction. No official announcement about the court proceedings could be expected, however, until police had completed their investigations, which might take several months.

Norwegian Foreign Minister Vaarvik on Friday told an Israel Television interviewer that some suspects in the murder case have said they were trying to foil an attack against Israeli institutions in Scandinavia. He did not think the affair had

NIXON PLANS WATERGATE STATEMENT

CAMP DAVID, Maryland. — President Nixon worked alone here on Friday on the initial preparation of a new statement on the Watergate scandal. The statement will be delivered within two weeks, White House officials said.

They said Nixon had not yet decided the form of his first Watergate statement since May 22, but White House sources indicated it would be a point by point rebuttal of Senate testimony that implicated the President in the cover-up.

Meanwhile, the President's response to the subpoenas issued by the Watergate Committee and Prosecutor Archibald Cox is expected by Tuesday. The Senate investigating committee wants recordings of five conversations between the President and his deposed legal counsel, John Dean, who testified that Nixon was aware of White House efforts to cover up the Watergate scandal.

(UPI, Reuter)

U.S. Justices rule bombing can continue

EIGHT JUDGES OVERRULE DOUGLAS ON BOMBING HALT

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Eight United States Supreme Court judges yesterday overruled a previous order by the ninth justice and allowed the bombing of Cambodia to continue.

Earlier, Justice William Douglas, citing the need to save human lives, had ruled that the U.S. must stop the bombing in Cambodia immediately.

The second order was issued by Justice Thurgood Marshall and was backed up by seven other judges.

The order reinstated a stay of execution on a ruling last week by a U.S. district court judge that the bombing was unconstitutional.

The stay had been overruled yesterday morning by Justice Douglas, a liberal who had long opposed the Indochina war.

The new order in the afternoon overturned Justice Douglas' position. It now leaves the Defence Department free to continue the bombing until August 15, when, according to Congressional legislation, it must stop.

The earlier ruling by Justice Douglas arose out of a suit by a Congresswoman and five U.S. Air Force officers, claiming that all military activities in Cambodia were unconstitutional because the bombing had not been approved by Congress.

The overturning decision came after a day of furious legal activity.

Within an hour of Justice Douglas' ruling, the government presented an application for a stay of the original District Court order.

Justice Marshall, who on Thursday refused to overrule an appeals court decision staying the execution of the District Court order, granted the stay "pending further order by this (Supreme) Court."

"I have been in communication with the other members of the court, and the Chief Justice (Warren Burger), Mr. Justice Brennan, Mr. Justice Stewart, Mr. Justice White, Mr. Justice Blackmun, Mr. Justice Powell and Mr. Justice Rehnquist agree with this action," said Justice Marshall.

Earlier, within an hour after Justice Douglas' ruling was filed with the Supreme Court here, the government hit back with a plea to have the court as a whole overturn Justice Douglas' action.

The order by Justice Douglas had reactivated the earlier District Court ban on the bombing which was stayed by a three-judge appeals court panel in New York only hours before it was to go into effect at 4 p.m. on July 27.

In overturning the appellate court's stay, Justice Douglas likened the situation to stopping the execution of a condemned man. In this case, he said, the condemned person could be Cambodian farmers or an American pilot or navigator.

"The upshot is that we know someone is about to die," Justice Douglas wrote in the order transmitted to the court clerk here from his vacation home in Goose Prairie, Washington.

This action was considered unprecedented by legal observers, who said it was the first time a High Court Justice had ordered the executive branch to stop a war. It would have set the stage for a confrontation between the Court and the Administration on a bombing policy which has only 11 more days to run — Congress has already passed legislation cutting off the bombing on August 15 and President Nixon has agreed to comply.

Nixon accuses Congress of 'abandoning a friend'

WASHINGTON. — President Nixon accused Congress on Friday of "abandoning a friend" by cutting off funds for U.S. bombing in Cambodia by August 15, as fighting intensified on the outskirts of Phnom Penh.

In a letter to Congress, the President said he wants Cambodia to know "we will continue to provide all possible support permitted under the law."

"North Vietnam would be making a very dangerous error if it mistook the cessation of bombing in Cambodia for an invitation to fresh aggression or further violations of the January 27 Vietnam cease-fire Paris agreements," Nixon's letter said. "I want the Congress to be aware of the consequences of its action," he added.

In South Vietnam, the Vietcong's Provisional Revolutionary Government warned yesterday that any military intervention in Cambodia by Saigon forces could provoke a renewal of fighting in South Vietnam. The warning followed Thursday's announcement by the Saigon government that South Vietnam would consider the possibility of sending troops to Cambodia if Phnom Penh fell. There have been several reports in Saigon that the South Vietnamese air force would take over the U.S. role in Cambodia after the August 15 bombing halt.

On the heels of President Nixon's letter, U.S. Secretary of Defence James R. Schlesinger said cargo planes will continue to deliver military aid to Laos and Cambodia, as well as planes connected with American efforts to trace men missing in action in these countries. He said that the U.S. will continue unarmed reconnaissance flights over Laos and Cambodia after August 15.

On the war front, Cambodian insurgents pressing forward on the outskirts of Phnom Penh may have captured General Chhoum, personal

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Waldheim due at end of August

Jerusalem Post Staff and AP
U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim said in Sofia Friday his planned visit to Israel, Egypt and Jordan would allow him "to assess the situation and see what I, as the Secretary-General of the U.N., can do to find a way out of the present deadlock."

Dr. Waldheim said his visit to the Middle East nations would take place at the end of August or early in September, pending agreement on the dates with the governments concerned, with which he said he wants "to establish personal contacts."

Cairo's semi-official "Al-Ahram" newspaper yesterday said that Egypt has asked the Secretary-General to begin his forthcoming mission by visiting a visit to Israel. The paper said that his arrival in Israel has been set for August 30.

"Al-Ahram" added that Egypt based its request to Waldheim on "past experiences which affirmed that Israel's position always constituted an obstacle to a settlement." It said that these experiences included the 1971 Middle East visit of U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers, who began his mission by visiting Egypt, and the several visits paid to the region by U.N. Middle East envoy Dr. Gunnar Jarling.

Israeli officials said last night that no final date had yet been set for the Waldheim visit, but it would probably take place at the end of the month.

TENDERS have been issued by the Tel Aviv Municipality for new street lighting at the accident-prone intersection of Sderot Yerushalaim with Rehov Eilat and Rehov Yehuda Hayamit in Jaffa, and the intersections of Sderot Ben Zion-King George Street and Sderot Rothschild-Sheinkin in Tel Aviv.



Foreign Minister Abba Eban addressing the Labour Party Youth Division on Friday. Seated are Division Chairman Yehiel Leket and Party Tel Aviv Secretary Dov Ben-Meir.

Eban against Nebi Samwil housing

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Foreign Minister Abba Eban on Friday attacked the idea of building a Jewish housing estate in Nebi Samwil, outside Jerusalem. Mr. Eban, speaking to the Labour Party Youth Division Council here, said, "It is more important to build housing in the Katamon quarters of Jerusalem than to build a new Savoyon in Nebi Samwil."

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, supported by other Labour Party leaders, including Minister Israel Galili, has proposed extending the built-up area of Jewish Jerusalem to include Nebi Samwil. Mr. Dayan has complained that despite a Cabinet decision to do so, some Labour Party Cabinet Ministers were bent on frustrating this policy.

In another criticism of the hawk's of his own party, Mr. Eban said, "It is impossible to transplant the foreign policy of Gahal into the social programme of the Labour Party."

Dismissing the proposed centrist alignment as "old hat" Mr. Eban said that they have nothing to offer.

Speaking on refugee rehabilitation, Mr. Eban said that he thought that a country that has succeeded in absorbing 200,000 immigrants since 1967 could easily transfer 65,000 Arab refugees to better housing.

The Youth Division nominated its national secretary, Yehiel Leket, 32, as its candidate on the Party Knesset list.

The Youth Division plenum has unanimously adopted a proposal tabled by Dr. Michael Bar-Zohar urging all sections of the party to rally around the existing party platform including the Dayan "oral doc-

trine." However, Mr. Leket went out of his way in the course of his statement to stress that the more dovish line of the Youth Division's majority, adopted in 1972, had not thereby been cancelled.

Urges Palestinian role in talks

PARIS (Reuters). — Foreign Minister Abba Eban said in an interview published yesterday that Palestinians should play a major role in any peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan, "as part of the Jordanian delegation."

Mr. Eban, in an interview with the left-wing news magazine "Nouvel Observateur," said he had spoken with many Palestinian leaders who "understand that the State of Israel is an irreversible fact."

Yariv sees slight terrorist flare-up

TEL AVIV. — Aharon Yariv, Prime Minister Meir's former adviser on Arab terrorist activities, said last night that there had clearly been a flare-up of terrorist activity recently, a sign the terrorists had recovered somewhat from last April's Beirut raid.

But Mr. Yariv, who was being interviewed over Israel Television, said that anti-terrorist activity had forced the terrorists to limit themselves to targets outside the Middle East if they were to survive. He added that several Arab states were helping them in their work.

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Soviet group ends visit

TEL AVIV (Reuters). — A three-man delegation from the Union of Soviet Friendship Societies yesterday concluded a 10-day visit here as guests of the Israel-Soviet Friendship Society.

The unofficial delegation from the Soviet Union was headed by Professor G.V. Ivanov of Moscow University, and included D.S. Duvrovshin, a Soviet Jewish writer, and P.L. Kraushkaus, chairman of the Lithuanian Friendship Society.

Speaking of the tense truce which has prevailed between the army and the terrorists since clashes last May, Habash said there was a similarity between the present situation and that which prevailed in Amman on the eve of September 1970 when the Jordanian armed forces staged their first strike towards quelling the terrorist movement in the East Bank.

Lebanon's President Suleiman Franjeh over the weekend denied there was tension between the army and the terrorists. He said his government was determined to maintain good relations with "the Palestinians" in a talk to a group of Lebanese newspaper publishers and editors.

Meanwhile, the Beirut weekly organ of the PFLP, "Al-Hadad," on Friday called on Norway to break off diplomatic relations with Israel. It warned that the terrorists would stage attacks against Israel embassies in reprisal for the killing of Ahmed Bouchiki in Lillehammer on July 21.

The majority of the suspects came from Lod. They and the boy's father had been remanded previously in connection with the case but had been released for lack of evidence. Their recent arrest was based on new evidence brought to light by a special police investigating unit.

Father remanded in kidnap and diamond theft

Jerusalem Post Staff
NETANYA. — Emile Alvo, 28, of Yahud whose eight-year-old son Jacques was kidnapped for 15 hours in June, was remanded with six other persons yesterday by Netanya Magistrate Reuven Hagen. They were charged with involvement in the boy's kidnapping and in the April theft of \$500,000 worth of diamonds at Lod Airport.

The majority of the suspects came from Lod. They and the boy's father had been remanded previously in connection with the case but had been released for lack of evidence. Their recent arrest was based on new evidence brought to light by a special police investigating unit.

BANK CREDIT

In the article "The Governor's Urgent Programme," in Friday's Post Magazine, it was erroneously stated that a ban on further increase of ordinary bank credit was not included in recommendations from the Governor of the Bank of Israel.

Moshe Ater, our Economic Editor, writes: The first of the steps proposed by the Bank of Israel is to limit the growth of free bank credit. The cautious wording had seemed to indicate no more than stiffer liquidity ratios or their like. In retrospect, this recommendation looks, of course, more formidable. Still, impressive though the ban is, it is doubtful whether Mr. Sanbar set that much store by its efficacy.

SAPIR: 'YOU'VE NEVER HAD IT SO GOOD'

BET BERL. — Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir said yesterday no person in Israel today can claim that his economic situation had not improved in recent years. He had been asked about the "social gap" at a meeting of the World Labour Zionist Movement here.

Mr. Sapir castigated "huge wage demands by doctors, engineers, journalists and many others," adding that inflation was further accelerated by vast sums received here in restitution from Germany — to the tune of \$112,000m. a year.

Mr. Sapir said that while in 1961 some 42,000 families had lived overcrowded four to a room (out of a total of 600,000 families), today only 11,000 families live in similar overcrowding (out of a total of 800,000 families). He hoped that the "nightmare" of such cramped housing conditions would be eradicated in four to five years' time.

Referring to Government subsidies for basic foodstuffs, he joked, "Now not only are diamonds smuggled out of the country, but sugar too."

Speaking at the same meeting yesterday, Aharon Yadin, Secretary General of the Labour Party, said he supported the establishment of a city in the Judean desert which would not move. "In apparent contrast to recent statements by Mr. Sapir, he said that establishment of a city in the Judean desert would not come at the expense of the development towns."

Dr. Maurice Miller, chairman of Poalei Zion in Britain, said despite its problems, Israel could serve as an example for its economic achievements. But he thought that Israel had too many difficulties, and too many in different straits.

SHEMTOV: Surprised Mapam not consulted

Health Minister Victor Shemtov (of Mapam) yesterday expressed his "surprise" that Mapam ministers are being excluded from the talks being held by the Labour leadership on its policy for the territories during the coming four years.

According to a report issued last night through the Government Press Office, Mr. Shemtov told a political parlour meeting in Jerusalem that such policy should be discussed by the Labour-Mapam Alignment ministers and not by the Labour leadership alone.

He said he hoped that the Labour discussions on Defence Minister Moshe Dayan's proposals would not result in any decision that deviated from the agreed Alignment position. In any case, he added, Mapam would not accept any "hand-down decisions on which it was not consulted."

'Land of Israel' group to join centrist bloc

Jerusalem Post Reporter
A large section of the Land of Israel Movement aims to join the Gahal-based centrist Alignment, headed by Ariel ("Arik") Sharon, contest the general elections in October. A statement issued last night, signed by Avraham Yoffe, Yehoshua Caspi, Eliezer Livneh, Dan Zvi Shiloah, and Moshe Shamir, said that the group would join the Alignment.

Mr. Shamir told The Post last night that Gahal was expected to lead the new bloc and that the Movement would join the invitation to the newly formed group.

Asked who of the Land of Israel Movement was not joining the new group, he referred to N.R.P. Kibbutz Hameuhad members.

Left 'alternative' 40 demonstrators to Alignment barred from Ikr

TEL AVIV. — The Moked List — "for peace and socialist change" — offers a left-wing alternative to the Labour-Mapam Alignment. Ahuf Mishne (Res.) Meir Pa'il, who heads the list's candidates for the Knesset, told the founding meeting of his Tchelet, Adom movement here on Friday.

Tchelet Adom, a group which broke away from Siah-New Left, has joined with Moked to form the Moked list for the Knesset elections. Pa'il, who is a former lecturer at Tel Aviv University, said the real danger from the right was the formation of a right-wing alignment.

"From Gahal to Moshe Dayan and now, which would occur, if not now, then after the elections," he said.

Jerusalem Post Reporter
ACRE. — About 40 Jews and Arabs attempted to enter the site of the village of the village on the Lebanon border 25 years ago. They were blocked by Israeli soldiers. The demonstrators then planted 25 tree saplings near the highway that passes the village site.

Police said on Friday that the arrested five Arabs attempting to enter the closed area, bringing the number to 45 of former residents to be charged last week with entering a closed security area.

In deep sorrow we announce the death on Friday of our beloved husband, father and grandfather

Dr. ADOLF (NAHUM) LICHTENSTEIN

at the age of 67.

The funeral will leave today, August 5, 1973, at 1.15 p.m. from the Municipal Funeral Parlour at 5 Rehov Dafna, Tel Aviv, for the Holon Cemetery.

Dr. Sibylle Lichtenstein, Edna, Gideon and families, Max Tarter.

Dr. YEHUDA ABAS

A year after his death, a memorial service will be held and his tombstone will be unveiled in the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery, on Sunday, August 5, 1973, at 2 p.m. Meeting at the gate.

The Family

In deep sorrow, we mourn the sudden passing of our beloved mother and grandmother

ITTA KERN

(née Haher) Dynow — Hamburg

The funeral will leave today, August 5, 1973, at 3 p.m., from the Municipal Funeral Parlour, 5 Rehov Dafna, Tel Aviv, for the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery.

Shiva will be held at the home of the deceased, 328 King George St., Tel Aviv.

Sons and daughters-in-law: Jonny and Rachel Kern, Chana and Irma Kern, Dr. Elchanan and Chana Kern, Brother, Bernhard Haber, London. Grandchildren, and all the family in Israel and abroad.

In deep sorrow we announce the death of the head of our family,

HAIM LEIBOWITZ

The funeral cortege will leave today, Sunday, August 5, 1973, at 3.30 p.m., from the Assuta Hospital in Tel Aviv — and at 4 p.m. from the Etz Hazayit works at Kiryat Arye, Petah Tikva — for the Petah Tikva Cemetery.

The bereaved family and the Etz Hazayit community

Social and Personal

Mrs. Nina Katzir, wife of the President, was hostess on Thursday to Mrs. Antoinette Tubman, widow of the former Liberian President. Among those present were Mrs. Edwina Morgan, wife of the Liberian Ambassador, and Mrs. Rachel Ben-Zvi, widow of Israel's second President.

Mrs. Tubman was a guest at a dinner given by the Consul of Liberia in Haifa and Mrs. Aaron Rosenfeld at their residence on Friday evening. Yesterday she toured Haifa and attended a luncheon given by Mrs. Minna Ben-Zvi, director of the Mt. Carmel International Training Centre.

Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu on Wednesday welcomed 200 U.S. Canadian and Mexican high school students to the Knesset. The students are in Israel on World Zionist Organization summer study programmes.

Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir was guest of honour Wednesday at the annual meeting of Israel Discount Bank employees, held at Tel Aviv's Mamm Auditorium.

Immigrant Soviet Jewish sea-captain Yacov Ostromodsky called on Transport Minister Shimon Peres on Friday.

Dr. Ludwig Steiner, Political Director of the Austrian Foreign Ministry, was the guest Friday of Absorption Minister and Mrs. Nathan Peled at the Galei Kinneret Hotel.

Oils, watercolours, lithographic prints and etchings by Herman Struch (1876-1944) went on view last night at the new Herman art gallery at 38a Sea Road, Haifa.

BIRTH
DAR — to Ora and Yair Dar, their first daughter, Yael, first grandchild of Uta and Stefan Grayek and grandchild to Tunia and Heim Drayman.

ARRIVALS

Helmut Rohde, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour of the Federal German Republic, at the head of a delegation of senior officials of the German Labour Ministry and the Chancellor's Office, for a two-week visit as guests of the Ministry of Labour.

DEPARTURES

Prof. Gert Frumkin and two other members of an unofficial Soviet foreign friendship delegation, after a 10-day visit as guests of the Israel-Soviet Friendship League.

Child drowns off Caesarea

CAESAREA. — An 18-month-old child, Arye Sofer of Or Akiva, drowned in the sea off the Herodian aqueduct here on Friday after wandering away from his parents who were bathing at an unguarded beach. Police found the toddler's body a kilometre from the spot where his family had been bathing.

(Itim)

Man killed in road accident

A resident of the Kalandia refugee camp near Jerusalem was killed on Friday when he was hit by a pick-up truck on the Jerusalem-Bamallah road. The man, Shukir Jedla, 65, died on the way to hospital.

Hiker killed in Golan

A 25-year-old hiker from Ramat Gan, Ram Markfeld, was killed yesterday when he lost his footing and fell into a wadi in the central Golan Heights.

Anti-Semitic attacks in Ukraine revealed

LONDON (INA). — A Soviet court has sentenced a Ukrainian student who attacked Jewish homes to five years in prison.

Reports of anti-Semitic disturbances in the Ukrainian town of Boguslav at the end of April this year have only now leaked out of the U.S.S.R. According to the reports, the Ukrainian history student, named Lapotetsky, and a friend broke window panes of Jewish houses, shouting abuses such as "Zhids, get out of our houses and go home to Israel." In all, 15 houses were attacked on April 28 and 29.

The occupants immediately complained to the authorities, who ordered the arrest of those responsible.

Following a two-week investigation, the trial took place in the municipal theatre building and was open to the public. Before passing sentence, the judge assured the defendants that they would lose all desire to repeat their actions.

Lapotetsky was given a five years prison term, and his accomplice three years.

On hearing the sentence, the uncle of one of the defendants said that when his nephew would come out of prison "he would kill as many Zhids as the number of days he served in prison." The two were sentenced on a hooliganism charge. Anti-Semitism was never mentioned.

Nixon accuses Congress

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assistant to President Lon Nol, the military command said yesterday. Cambodian troops, fighting with the support of U.S. warplanes, battled for the second day along Highway 1, five kms. from the southeastern limits of the capital.

Lon Nol's Government said the Communist-led insurgents used toxic gas in two attacks near the capital city. There was no other description given of the type of gas.

The military command said General Chhoum disappeared from his villa 6 kms. from Phnom Penh as the large force of insurgents battled Government troops in the same area.

ISRAEL POLICE

The Israel Police asks the public to assist in the search for a missing person, Katrina Naiman, father's name Able. She left the Dan Hotel, Tel Aviv, on July 10, 1973, since when her whereabouts are unknown.

The missing person is a tourist from Canada, aged 30. Height 155 cm.; build thin; face long; complexion light; hair dark brown; forehead high; eyes green; nose small; lips thin.

Speaks English and a little Yiddish. Anyone who has information on her whereabouts, or who has seen her after July 10, 1973, is asked to inform the nearest Police Station.

(AP, UPI, Reuters)

The Mizrahi Women of America extends heartfelt greetings and welcomes the founder of the Northwest Child Rescue Women, Detroit, Michigan

MRS. ALICE LUTZ

The Israeli Movement for Progressive Judaism welcomes the delegates to the convention of the American Conference of Cantors of the Reform Movement in the United States and commends them on the religious and aesthetic contributions of their Concerts of Liturgical Music in the Israeli Festival.

Jerusalem abattoir to stay closed

Health Minister Victor Shemtov on Friday turned down an appeal by Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem to cancel an order which last week shut down the municipal poultry abattoir in Romea.

A Ministry spokesman said the closure would remain in effect until the owners submitted a detailed time table for immediate and long-range steps to eliminate the health and sanitary hazards in the plant.

The spokesman pointed out that the abattoir's management had for two years failed to comply with regulations to install proper sound-proofing and provide proper landscaping around the abattoir, a new building operated jointly by the Municipality and poultry dealers affiliated to the Jerusalem Commerce Federation.

In protest against the closure order, poultry dealers closed their shops last Wednesday, warning they would set up an outdoor slaughterhouse outside the Municipality.

The Municipality spokesman said Friday that Mayor Kollek had proposed to Mr. Shemtov that the Municipality act on behalf of the Health Ministry to remove all the health and sanitation hazards. The mayor said the Municipality had already worked out an agreement with the Federation and Tnuva to move the chicken-slaughtering operation to the building's top story.

Mayor Kollek added that the closure of the Romea slaughterhouse had added to the congestion at other abattoirs in the city, mainly in the Mahan Yehuda market, the Municipality spokesman said.

But Mr. Shemtov reportedly replied that his Ministry would deal with the matter directly.

Jerusalem Arabic daily closes

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter The East Jerusalem Arabic daily, "Al-Ahram," yesterday announced it will temporarily discontinue publication as of today. The two-year-old paper did not say why it was closing, but the acute newspaper shortage is believed to be the chief reason.

Mr. Mahmoud Abu Zuhair, the publisher and editor of "Al-Ahram," the other Arab-owned Jerusalem daily, is reported to be considering doubling the size of his six-page newspaper.

The third Arabic daily, "Al-Anba," is government sponsored. Two independent four-page weekly newspapers, "Al-Fajr" and "Al-Bashir," are also printed in Jerusalem.

Zealots attempt break-in at excavation site

SAFAD. — Several dozen religious zealots, believed to be Neturei Karta members, tried on Friday to break into the site of archaeological excavations at Gush Halav, where a magnificent fourth century mausoleum has been unearthed. They protested against the removal of the remains of the Jews buried there.

The Government Antiquities Department had collected the remains and sent them to the Jerusalem Bural Society for reinterment.

The fanatics found the site fenced in and an unarmed watchman there held them back. Slogans they painted on nearby walls and stones were signed "The Society for Protecting the Dignity of the Dead."

New head of Negev nuclear centre

Abraham Seroussi has been appointed director of the Negev Nuclear Research Centre of the Atomic Energy Commission, effective on September 1.

He succeeds Joseph Tulipman, who directed the centre for the past eight years and has been appointed director general of the Citrus Marketing Board. Mr. Seroussi, 52, has been assistant director of the Centre since 1968.

Bethlehem councillor tenders resignation

BETHLEHEM. — Former Jordanian Minister of Development, Ayoub Mouslem, yesterday tendered his resignation from the municipal council, to which he was elected in May last year. The resignation was submitted to Mayor Elias Freij, but it is subject to the approval of the local Military Governor.

Mr. Mouslem attributed his move to a lack of harmony within the council. He was in the opposition against Mayor Freij. If the resignation is accepted, Mr. Mouslem will be replaced by Juda Zarour, the owner of the local Bethlehem cinema.

NUCLEAR PHYSICS AIDS THE ARCHAEOLOGISTS

Special to The Jerusalem Post

A new method of identifying archaeological finds will soon be in operation at the Hebrew University, using nuclear physics techniques in the new science of archaeometry.

Prof. Isidore Perlman, a recent immigrant from the University of California, Berkeley, has developed a nuclear scanning technique which enables him to work with archaeologists to determine the origin of a piece of pottery no matter where it is found. He is aided by Israeli-born Prof. Joseph Yellin, from the same laboratory in Berkeley in equipping new laboratories at the Institute of Archaeology on Mt. Scopus and building up a staff which will eventually delve into many other technical applications to archaeology.

The nuclear technique, which is also applicable to the earth sciences, uses electronic devices designed for studying nuclear structure in order to make a chemical "fingerprint" of a piece of pottery. Not only are the many trace elements of the pottery measured with great accuracy, but the equipment is automated to permit around-the-clock operation.

Small pottery samples are taken for irradiation in the Nabal Soreq reactor where the various chemical elements are made radioactive. The emitted gamma rays are measured with high precision and, from the data, the University's COO 6400 computer can calculate the chemical composition.

Once a shard has been "fingerprinted," the task of identifying its origin begins. Prof. Perlman explains this process and its significance.

"Pottery styles," says Prof. Perlman, are distinctive with respect to different cultures and time periods. The problem for the archaeologist, however, is the general absence of detailed discrimination where a particular style may have been made in many places. The objective of the "fingerprinting" is to provide just such detailed information.



Prof. Isidore Perlman (right) and Prof. Joseph Yellin examining ancient pottery in the Hebrew University's Institute of Archaeology.

"In the process of doing such work, we frequently encounter surprises. We have instances where an entire category of pottery had been misplaced and this obviously calls for a reassessment of the archaeological inferences."

Prof. Yigal Yadin, Head of the Hebrew University's Institute of Archaeology, was a prime mover in bringing Prof. Perlman and his techniques to Jerusalem.

"Prof. Perlman's work and his laboratory, which are incorporated in the Institute of Archaeology, are of extreme importance and are going to clarify one of the basic problems which archaeologists, with the help of their own discipline, were not able to solve," states Prof. Yadin.

"Of foremost importance, of course, is the possibility of identifying where a specific piece of pottery was manufactured... I believe

that in a few years, this will be able to serve international archaeologists working in the Mediterranean area."

Prof. Isidore Perlman studied chemistry and took his doctorate in 1940 in physiology, planning to work in nuclear medicine. As a graduate student, he did some of the earliest work which determined the speed at which glands manufacture vital hormones in the human body.

After working on the Manhattan Project during World War II, Prof. Perlman turned to nuclear chemistry and nuclear radiation measurement. Some six years ago he began to devote some of his time to "nuclear archaeology" which has since become his main pursuit.

Prof. Joseph Yellin, who arrived in Israel a few months ago, has been appointed Associate Professor in physics and archaeology.

BERIOSOVA OUT OF ROYAL BALLET TOUR

By DORA SOWDEN

Jerusalem Post Dance Correspondent Prima ballerina Svetlana Berio-sova will not appear as scheduled in Israel Festival performances by the Royal Ballet of London here this week due to an injury. She will be replaced by prima ballerina Dawn Wells, who is the wife of the Marquis of Londonderry and only recently returned to the company after giving birth to their first child. She will arrive tomorrow.

Rudolf Nureyev and prima ballerina Lygia Syymour arrived by Swissair last night, after remaining in London to perform on Friday night.

Forty other dancers from the company arrived on Thursday. The first of six performances — all sold out — will be given tonight at Jerusalem's Binyanai Ha'omim. Nureyev, who appears at the Jerusalem Theatre this afternoon in an hour of dance.

Headed by the company of 56 (including 16 technicians) is John Auld, who is an assistant to the Royal Ballet's director Kenneth Macmillan. He will also appear as the choreographer in "The Prodigal Son" (choreography by George Balanchine and

music by Prokofiev).

The dancers have been rehearsing in Tel Aviv under the supervision of balletmaster Peter Clegg and company teacher Hilary Cartwright. The company is so democratically run that the leading dancers take "classes" with all the others.

Donald Macleary, a premier dancer who has been with the Royal Ballet 19 years, said he would stay on after the "season" to take a holiday. "I was told that Nureyev was a lovely place," he said.

A ballerina who will partner Nureyev frequently is principal dancer Vyvyan Lorraine, who was partially paralysed by polio as a child in Johannesburg and took up dancing to strengthen her muscles.

Three other ballerinas of note who also have risen to front rank are Brenda Laid, a Londoner, Patricia Ruanna, born in Leeds; and Margaret Barbiere, born in South Africa of Italian parents.

Also in the company as character dancer is a South African Malay, Johaar Moseval, who has danced many leading roles in the Royal Ballet.



Ballerina Dawn Wells.

Haifa attorney implies tax men 'robbed' him; ordered held 15 days

Jerusalem Post Staff HAIFA. — Dr. Israel Yehuda, the Haifa attorney who returned from Rhodesia on Thursday night to face charges that he had fled the country with IL230,000 of his clients' money, was on Friday ordered held for 15 days.

Dr. Yehuda, who immediately appealed the remand, told Magistrate Miriam Verinsky that his departure 23 months ago had followed pressure from the tax authorities which culminated in his being "physically robbed" of IL400,000 in clients' funds. The appeal will be heard today by District Court Judge Eliezer Neuman.

Speaking smoothly, eloquently and at length, Dr. Yehuda claimed that he had returned to Israel of his own will to face his creditors. He said he had gone to Rhodesia (where his wife and seven daughters remain) as part of a plan to raise money after having suffered "a family tragedy" — and you know what it is," he said turning to the police representative.

After alluding to the heavy pressure of the tax authorities on him two years ago, he said "this brought me to a situation where I was physically robbed. It was a violent robbery and the police know the details. Some IL400,000 was taken, and as a result of the disaster that befell me and my family there were, I regret, other victims as well."

Denying reports he had been forced back to Israel, he said the Israel consul in Johannesburg had extended his passport for five years, meaning that he could have gone anywhere. He added that he had informed the consul of his arrival, his address and his purpose in coming to Rhodesia as soon as he arrived.

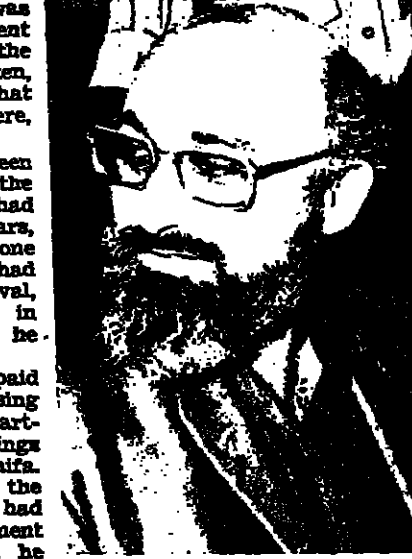
He said he had already paid back a good deal of the missing IL400,000 through selling his apartment, car and other belongings before taking his family from Haifa. In an indignant reference to the Haifa Bar Association, which had expressed its acute embarrassment at his disappearance, he said he had written them from Rhodesia suggesting a plan for straightening

out the affair, but had been refused. "There are some in Haifa who rather than help me wished to use the occasion to collect from me a pound of flesh. So I came to offer them their pound of flesh."

No purpose would be served in holding him, Dr. Yehuda said, as he had already been questioned concerning the 16-point indictment against him. Police countered this by saying the indictment had meanwhile expired, and a new one was being prepared. They said there was a danger the attorney might seek to leave the country if he were released on bond.

As to the alleged robbery, the police confirmed they had received the complaint which Dr. Yehuda made abroad to Interpol. But there was no record of a complaint in Tel Aviv, where the offence allegedly took place.

Judge Verinsky eventually stopped Dr. Yehuda's exposition with the observation that the application for remand was not the occasion for trying the case itself. In addition to ordering him held for 15 days, she ordered his passport and other possible travel documents seized.



Israel Yehuda in court on Friday.

Farkas 'to give himself up'; appeals to Katzir

TEL AVIV. — Nahman Farkas, the prison escape artist, has written to President Katzir asking for another chance in life. He will give himself up when the President receives his letter, his 23-year-old wife, Gaila, reported at a news conference she held here on Friday.

Farkas has been in hiding ever since his latest escape — from the Safad lock-up on July 11. He had been sentenced to a six-month jail term for a series of offences, including damaging property, threatening a policeman and neglecting his child.

Mrs. Farkas, who had earlier left her husband, said she now forgave him and wanted to help him rehabilitate himself. In his letter to the President, Mrs. Farkas said, her husband explains that he grew up in the heart "of ignorance, violence and covetousness." He says that he

spent 14 of his 37 years in prison, mainly for burglaries and violence. When he completed his last sentence, all he asked was to raise up his child in his own way and to be left alone. His wife said. But society would not let him.

Moshav Anirim in Galilee agreed to accept her and their child as members, but Farkas had to visit them in secret, she said.

In his letter Farkas says he is not pleading for a pardon but "an understanding." "It has become more and more clear to me that society is not interested in a criminal who mends his ways, since it is much easier to liquidate him and his problem," the letter states.

Mrs. Farkas brought to the conference their seven-month-old son, who is named "Su," after a Chinese general whom Farkas admires. (18m)

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Missing girl found in convent

Jerusalem Post Staff NAZARETH. — An Austrian girl who disappeared from Oxford ten days ago to "follow Jesus' footsteps" in Israel was tearfully reunited with her father here yesterday after police found her in a local convent.

Yvonne Maria Kolowrotnik, 17, was working in the kitchen of the Dames de Nazareth convent, where she had gone immediately after reaching God Airport. She told her father, Vienna architect, Cornell Kolowrotnik, that she was having a "great emotional experience." He had spent a week combing the country for her with the aid of the police and a Haifa friend.

Yvonne Maria had gone to Oxford to improve her English, as part of a high-school student exchange programme. According to what friends told her father, one day she awoke after having dreamed "the path of Jesus in the Holy Land" and went straight to London, using her return-ticket to Vienna to get herself on board a plane for Israel.

Her father, who had been searching Christian centres and kibbutzim with the aid of his friend, Haifa shoe manufacturer Louis Abraham, was particularly worried as Yvonne Maria had left England without a penny.

Father and daughter fell tearfully into each other's arms on Friday at the Nazareth police station. Police had summoned Mr. Kolowrotnik from Haifa as soon as they verified a local resident's report that his daughter was at the convent.

Charged with sending threatening letters

TEL AVIV. — A man injured in a road accident in 1970 was on Friday charged with sending threatening letters to the Attorney General and to the Justice, Welfare and Transport Ministers.

Shlomo Levi, 35, of Ramat Gan, is alleged to have threatened the officials that "there'll be disaster" if the case against the other driver in the accident is not reopened.

Police say they found an illegal arsenal of grenades and other arms in Levi's storeroom when they searched his home on July 19. The prosecution will call 18 witnesses when the trial begins, after the summer court recess. District Court Judge Misha Shamir ordered Levi held in custody until then and said she would consider the prosecution's request that Levi be sent for psychiatric examination.

GOLF RESULTS

CARSAREA. — The Junior Golf championships ended yesterday with 18 holes played by Leon Eting of Sayvon, who returned 86 to win the title from Barry Mendel, also of Sayvon, who had 88.

The monthly medal competition in the A division was won by Steven Ben of Herzliya with a net 70, followed by Ovadia Maybar of Tel Aviv with a net 71. The B division was won by Aubrey Kaplan of Herzliya with a net 68, followed by Bing Eting of Sayvon with a net of 71.

Shippers rap Ports A. for Ashdod congestion

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Ports Authority was strongly criticised by representatives of the shipping community on Friday for allowing congestion to develop in Ashdod harbour during the summer off-season. They were taking part in a meeting of the Ports Congestion Board, called to discuss the shipping companies' demand for the imposition of a congestion surcharge on Ashdod and for an order barring ships from calling at both Ashdod and Haifa in order to ease the situation.

The board decided not to permit a congestion surcharge for the time being. The demand to permit only one call will be ruled upon at a meeting today, with the Transport Ministry's Director General. Importers object to the order because they will have to bear the extra costs of overland transport and because of the trucking space shortage.

The representatives criticised the Ashdod Port management for its recent dismissal of temporary workers at a time when the port was under heavy pressure and unable to cope with the flow of cargoes. The Authority spokesman told The Post that the congestion had resulted mainly from the big increase in both imports and exports this year. He stressed that the authority was already "vigorously tackling the problem" and would take such immediate measures as postponing the workers' leaves and recruiting additional manpower. He noted that the problem of temporary workers for Ashdod Port was a "delicate" one, in view of the experience with the Georgians who were dismissed but reinstated after a riot, but everything possible would be done to raise the number of work gangs to the maximum and to speed up cargo handling.

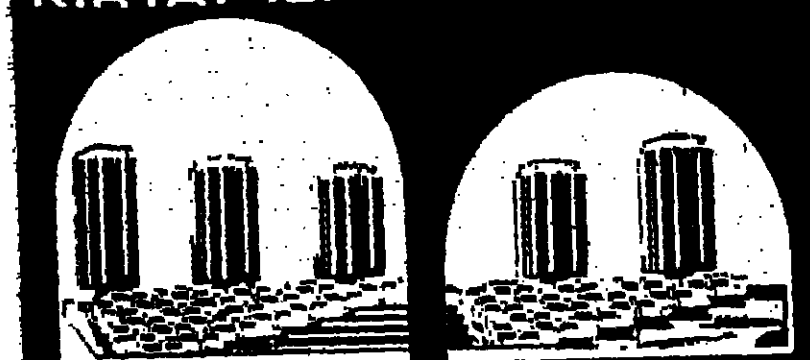
'Soviet Weekly' denies Israel cement deal

LONDON (INA). — The "Soviet Weekly" on Friday denied reports of a Soviet-Israeli cement deal, comparing Israeli reports to Nazi propaganda.

Denying any negotiations had ever taken place, the weekly, sponsored by the Soviet embassy here, wrote: "Some time ago Tel Aviv put out a false story that the U.S.S.R. was selling Israel thousands of tons of cement. The Soviet Union promptly exploded that story in a categorical sending it."

The weekly statement that she neither had nor would do anything of the sort. "Tel Aviv has now reacted with a 'news report' which even that old master of the big lie, Dr. Goebbels, might have envied. The government of Israel, the new statement declares, has refused import licenses for 100,000 tons of Soviet cement. In one sentence it explains away the embarrassing fact that no Soviet cement is reaching Israel while maintaining that the U.S.S.R. is sending it."

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Egypt accuses Soviet Union of ignoring Arab interests

CAIRO (UPI). — A working-paper drawn up by the Egyptian parliament and the Arab Socialist Union accused the Soviet Union yesterday of making concessions to the U.S., presumably at the expense of the Arabs. It said relations with the Soviet Union should be "placed in their correct and frank framework."

The paper dealt with the recent changes in international relations, mainly the detente between Russia and America, and their effect on the Middle East crisis.

The detente, the paper said, had led the U.S. to escalate its support of Israel, and weakened the effectiveness of the U.N.

The paper advocated Egyptian and Arab self-reliance. It will be the basis of a nation-wide "dialogue" on the international changes and ways of breaking the Middle East deadlock.

The paper said that the Soviet Union, "in deference to the policy of detente and the joint interests, has become committed to consulting

America on numerous occasions." An example of this "is the ending of restrictions on the emigration of Soviet Jews" to Israel.

Egyptian reliance on foreign powers — an obvious reference to Russia — was "less effective now and smaller in scope. We should be intent on preserving our friendships, particularly with the Soviet Union, but we should place these friendships in their correct and frank framework."

'U.N. WEAKENED'

The detente, said the paper, had "made the U.S. more daring in supporting Israel militarily, economically and politically... and more frank in its hostility to the Arabs and its denial of the rights of the Palestinian people and the U.N. charter."

The detente had weakened the U.N., "because many agreements and reconciliations are being concluded now outside the U.N. framework."

Egypt, the paper added, "is not against the policy of international detente, but certainly we refuse to

have this policy realized at our expense."

Egypt should develop its relations with all peace-loving powers and strengthen the policy of non-alignment. "We should primarily rely on our own Egyptian and Arab strength in the economic, political and military fields," the study said.

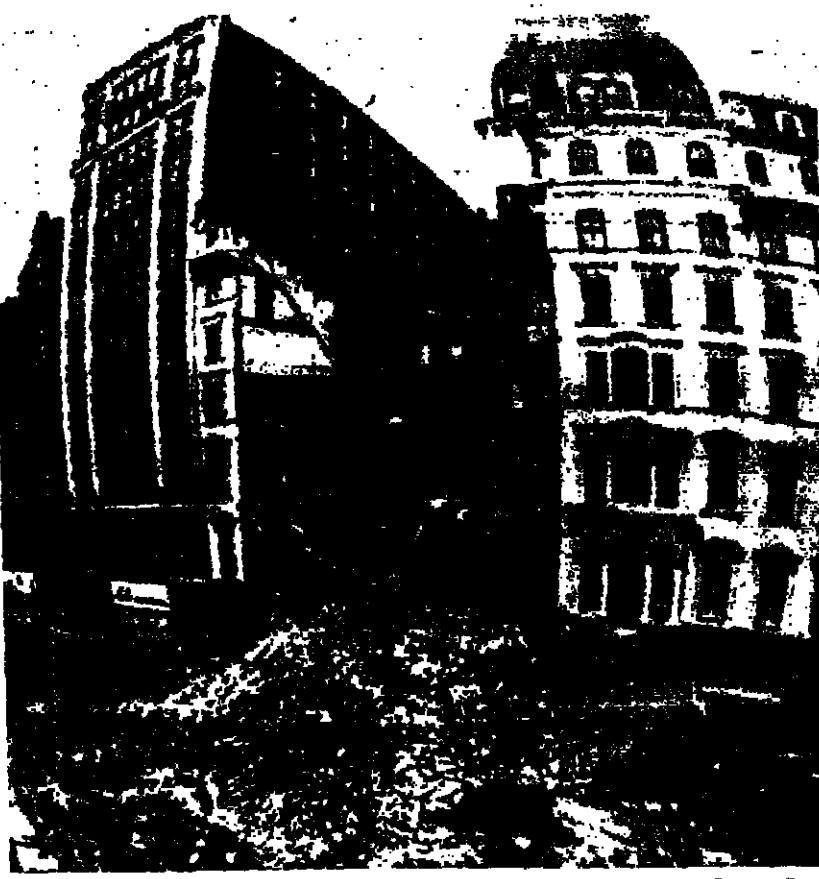
It specifically cited the Arabs' oil resources and funds being invested abroad.

The paper urged that Egypt should look for new countries from which to buy weapons and should establish an armament industry with Arab funds.

The unity of Egypt and Libya should be speeded up, but its success should be ensured.

It was also argued that "intellectual adolescence and ideological disputes" should not be allowed to endanger the outcome of the battle against Israel.

The Eastern Front against Israel — which used to group Jordan, Syria, Iraq and the Palestinian terrorists — should be revived.



Firemen and rescue units converge at the hotel which collapsed on Friday in New York's lower Manhattan. (AP radiophoto)

Chile cabinet offers to quit amid strike wave

SANTIAGO. — President Salvador Allende yesterday faced one of the worst crises of his 33-month rule after a sudden offer of resignation by his entire 15-man cabinet.

Government spokesman Jorge Uribe confirmed that the cabinet had offered its resignation en bloc, but said the ministers were remaining in office at the President's disposition.

The 65-year-old Allende has so far made no comment on the resignation, and was reported to be considering whether to accept it.

Informed sources said the cabinet wanted to give the President a free hand in dealing with mounting political pressure from the powerful Christian Democrat opposition, and a crippling nationwide transport strike.

The Christian Democrats, brought into urgent "peace" talks by Allende last week, are demanding a stop to the Government's Socialist economic policies, and the inclusion of the armed forces in the Government, as the price of a political truce.

Dr. Allende, who offered important concessions on economic policy in a complex peace package, refused to bring in the military.

The cabinet resignation on Friday night came only hours after Chris-

tian Democrat Party Chief Patricio Aylwin again insisted that the military be brought in before he would resume the peace talks.

But, according to informed sources, the resignation was also linked to the transport strike, which has paralyzed most public transport, and is causing increasing chaos. The strike has caused food and fuel shortages in many areas, and workers in Santiago and other cities had to walk to work.

Trouble began 10 days ago when the powerful Truck Owners Federation, which controls some 45,000 lorries, went on strike, claiming the Government had failed to honor its promise to settle a similar 26-day stoppage last October.

Meanwhile, miners at the giant El Teniente underground copper mine, the world's biggest, threatened to walk out again if the nationalized facility does not immediately release 97 workers it fired during a lengthy strike last June.

Members of the Chilean Medical Association held an emergency meeting yesterday amid rumours of an impending nationwide strike by doctors. Employees and physicians reported for work at one of Santiago's major hospitals, but accepted only emergency cases. (AP, Reuters)

'Soviet quits oil probe in Egypt'

LONDON (INA). — The "Financial Times" reports from Cairo that the Russians are withdrawing from oil exploration in Egypt and the area in which they have been prospecting is to be declared open for international bids immediately.

The Russians have been working since 1968 in the Siwa oasis area adjoining the Libyan border. Soviet technicians have drilled about 15 holes at a cost — jointly with the Egyptian Petroleum Corporation — of £24m. without finding a trace of oil. The Egyptians make no secret of the fact that they hope to interest American companies.

Husband, 103, 'always chasing women'

STOCKTON, California (AP). — Johnnie Lee Fegion is suing Solomon, her 103-year-old husband, for divorce, because he "spends all his money on other women."

She is 100. They have been married 26 years.

"I wanted to stay with him, but he wouldn't stop chasing after women," Mrs. Fegion said in an interview on Thursday.

Japanese 'Red Army' hails hijacking

TOKYO (AP). — The "Red Army," a group of extreme leftist radicals, yesterday held its first rally for almost a year. It had not held a rally since its leaders were arrested nearly a year ago on charges of executing fellow radicals.

The police said about 100 members attended yesterday's meeting and hailed last month's hijacking of the Japan Airlines jumbo jet to Libya "as part of the Palestine struggle."

Soviet tanker in U.S.

DELAWARE CITY (AP). — The first Soviet tanker to bring oil to the U.S. docked yesterday at the Getty Oil Company's refinery. The tanker is delivering about 370,000 barrels of Egyptian crude oil.

U.S. Jews plan action against oil firm

By DANIEL GOTTLIEB

JERUSALEM Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The Standard Oil Company of California message to stockholders urging U.S. support of the Arab cause for peace in the Middle East drew the threat of counteraction from the American Jewish community yesterday.

Jacob Stein, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that the matter had been referred to conference membership for "appropriate action."

No boycott of Chevron gasoline or other California Standard products was contemplated, Stein said. But he added, "I am sure the company will hear from many of its stockholders who feel its pressure by a corporation on the foreign policy of other governments is something that is not in America's best interests."

The letter from Standard's president, Otto N. Miller, to 500,000 stockholders and employees, was termed by Mr. Stein "a bold surrender to the oil pressures being applied against the U.S. by Arab countries."

The California Standard is the 19th largest industrial firm in the United States and has investments, together with other American firms, in Saudi Arabia.

The Miller letter, an account of which was published in the "New York Times" business pages Friday, failed to mention the State of Israel. It cited "growing feeling" that the United States had "turned its back" on the Arabs at a time when their oil was becoming increasingly important to the Western world.

"There must be understanding on our part of the aspirations of the Arab people and more positive support of their efforts towards peace in the Middle East," Miller wrote.

One possible reaction from stockholders of Standard might be legal action to block the use of company funds for purposes of conducting public appeals for changing U.S. foreign policy, an informed source said.

The State Department declined comment on Standard's letter, but spokesman Paul Hare told The Jerusalem Post, "We have indicated all along that basically we would not be blackmailed" on the Middle East policy by threats or pressures from Arab nations on oil supplies.

This was the position taken by the Department after King Faisal of Saudi Arabia indicated recently that his Government would not continue to increase oil production to meet U.S. needs if American policy toward the Arabs did not become more sympathetic.

In other reactions to the Miller letter, California Democratic Senator John Tunney said: "We cannot solve our fuel crisis by selling out Israel." The United American Arab Congress said its members would buy nothing but Standard Oil products.

The Israeli Embassy declined comment. But Israeli sources said that the Standard letter, taken together with a recent Mobil Oil Company advertisement, indicated a new tactic of direct public appeals by the oil companies in their campaign to influence American policy in the Middle East.

Ismail in Rumania for talks on M.E.

BUCHAREST (AP). — Hafez Ismail, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's national affairs adviser, arrived here yesterday for talks with the Rumanian leadership on the Middle East.

Rumania is the only Soviet-bloc nation to maintain diplomatic relations with Israel.

N.Y. hotel collapses; nine missing

NEW YORK (AP). — The remaining section of a once-elegant Manhattan hotel that collapsed on Friday was in danger of crumbling yesterday, a Fire Department spokesman said.

All but nine persons believed to have been in the building had been accounted for. Using two cranes to scoop truckloads of rubble, firemen searched for the six, who have been missing since an eight-story section of the old Broadway Central Hotel crumbled into the street.

The section still standing, which included five of the six theatres in the Mercer Arts Centre, was "very unstable" and "may come down at any time," said Fire Chief John Hart.

Authorities said that the structure will have to be razed. Most of those in the 119-year-old building escaped when rubble sent plaster to the floors moments before the thundering collapse of the structure.

At least 19 persons, including three policemen and a fireman, were treated at hospitals and released. More than 100 were made homeless and relocated.

There were 325 persons registered at the hotel, 23 of them in the part that tumbled down.

The fire chief attributed the collapse to age and the weakening of the structure by decades of vibrations from street and subway traffic.

Saudi 'offer' of planes for Egypt

NEW YORK (INA). — The "Wall Street Journal" reported Friday that King Faisal of Saudi Arabia is considering the idea of buying military planes for Egypt, specifically an advanced version of the French Mirage. In return, said the business daily, Faisal wants a further reduction of Soviet influence in Egypt.

Nixon backer owes U.S. \$23m.

LOS ANGELES (Reuters). — C. Arnold Smith, a longtime friend and one of the chief financial backers of President Nixon, was on Friday hit with a federal order to pay \$22.9m. in back taxes.

Mr. Smith, 74, a San Diego banker and industrialist, already faces a civil suit filed by the Securities and Exchange Commission charging him with the fraudulent use of millions of dollars in assets of two of his companies, U.S. National Bank and Westgate California Corporation.

The income tax lien against him was filed by the Internal Revenue Service in nine California counties where he has business interests.

Yugoslav leads chess tournament

By ELLIAHU SHAHAF

JERUSALEM Post Chess Correspondent

Yugoslavia's great chess hope, 22-year-old Lubomir Ljubojevic, kept up his triumphant march in the world championship inter-zonal tournament in Petropolis, Brazil, defeating Argentina's grandmaster Cesar Fanno in the seventh round, the young Yugoslav attained an excellent result of six points out of seven games.

No less impressive was Brazil's Henrique Mecking's score of five points. The Brazilian grandmaster is one year younger than the tournament leader. The two young grandmasters were followed by Lajos Portisch (Hungary) and Lev Polugaevski (U.S.S.R.) with 4 points and one adjourned game each, Oscar

Fanno (Argentina) and David Bronstein (U.S.S.R.), 4 points each.

Israel's representative, international master Shimon Kagan, lost both his adjourned games against Fanno and Hort. Arkov (Yugoslavia); beat Hort (Czechoslovakia), Bronstein beat Gheorghiu (Rumania), former world champion Vassily Smyslov beat his compatriot Paul Keres, and Fanno drew with Canada's Rhyssau.

In the world junior championship, Marijanovic (Yugoslavia) and Hellavski (U.S.S.R.) were tied for first with 7½ points. Their encounter today will decide the title. Israel's Hagai Sheinwald was in the lead of finals C (places 25-36) with 6 points, ahead of Colombia and Nito of Spain.

GAUITY AND INDIFFERENCE

Phnom Penh before 'the fall'

PHNOM PENH. — Although the outer crust of Phnom Penh's defence line has virtually crumbled and the inevitability of the capital's fall becomes more apparent every day, the mood of the foreign colony in the city is one of gaiety, albeit strained. The indigenous population seems apathetic.

As the U.S. makes its seemingly futile last-ditch attempt to save the Lon Nol regime before the August 15 bombing deadline, the "musique Monsieur Nixon" — as the Cambodians call the thunder of American B52 bombers — has reached an almost deafening volume in the city because of the proximity of the bombing.

The Cambodian people, however, seem almost oblivious to the roar of the bombing and to the facts of the military situation which make it necessary. They seem most oblivious to the fact that their very lives are in question.

The Cambodians also seem to have lost interest in the spectacle of American F4 Phantom fighter

jets blasting insurgent positions on the nearby east bank of the Bassac and Mekong Rivers. While one lone cream vendor did a thriving business each time the Phantoms appeared, the Cambodians now barely glance at the jets.

BRILLIANT VICTORIES

While Government radio stations broadcast continuous announcements of brilliant military victories, the generals have packed off their wives and children to Paris.

As rumours spread that the Americans plan to fly only 100 high-level Cambodians to U.S. asylum, civilian and military U.S. Embassy officers are being invited more and more often to luncheons with such attractions as "hot dancing" offered along with the food.

While making light of the prospective dangers, many of the Western diplomats and journalists who intend to remain "no matter what" have expressed genuine concern about the first few days after the insurgents enter the city.

Most Westerners intend to lock themselves into their offices and embassies during the period of the "fall." The stockpiling of champagne, imported cheeses, frozen pizzas, caviar and steaks is in progress.

There are foreigners from 30 Western, Eastern European and Asian nations in Phnom Penh. Only the French community, which makes up about a third of the fewer than 1,000 foreigners left, intends to stay whatever happens. The French have special ties to Cambodia, as they have to all of Indo-China.

Many French families normally resident here are taking their summer vacations on the Cote d'Azur in France. They will delay their return, but the scores of French plantation managers, restaurant owners and businessmen here say they intend to remain.

The Americans have elaborate contingency plans to move the 200 members of the Embassy staff if necessary. (AP, UPI)

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THE BARREN WIVES OF BARAMA

By MAX WILDE

GENEVA (Otna). — While most of the developing world — especially Asia and Latin America — is experiencing a population explosion, a spectre of extinction through declining fertility haunts parts of Africa.

In one village of the Central African Republic, more than half the women, now celibate after living with up to three husbands, are barren.

According to investigations made by Princeton University and French demographic experts, a broad belt of low fertility stretches from the West African coast in Gabon through the Congo, parts of Zaïre and into southwestern Sudan. Northwards the belt covers most of Cameroon, Chad and the Central African Republic.

While the natural increase of population in India is 2.5 per cent per annum, 3 per cent in Latin America, and 2.6 per cent in Africa as a whole, the natural increase in Moslem north Cameroon, for example, is only 1.7 per cent, and the population of the eastern part of the Central African Republic is actually decreasing at an annual rate of 1.9 per cent.

In Cameroon, Chad and the Central African Republic more than one-third of the women of child-bearing age had no children. In the sparsely populated Bangassou region of the Central African Republic, a territory twice the size of Belgium, Professor P. Correa, of Dakar University, Senegal, found the most pronounced infertility among the Nzakara tribe, a people who love children and want more of them. He used the people of a Nzakara village called Barama for a sample survey.

Most celibate males there had been married, some five or six times; but 25 of them, with 45 wives, had produced altogether only 33 children. Only 17 were living at the time of the survey, giving a mortality rate of almost 40 per cent.

Celibate women, most having had up to three husbands, had a sterility rate of 52 per cent. Twenty-seven women had 41 husbands, but produced only 57 children, and only 16 of these survived.

The men gave as reasons for their celibacy widowhood, impotence, poverty (deserted because they could not provide a home or dowry) and adultery by the wife, in that order. The women said their reasons for celibacy were widowhood, friv-

olity and adultery, maltreatment, refusal to accept a husband's polygamy, and a husband's poverty. The village as a whole showed a sterility rate of 45.5 per cent. More than one-third of sexually adult males had fathered no offspring.

The professor found some unexpected reasons contributing to a falling birth-rate. One was that the family of a future bride often defers a marriage indefinitely, making payment of the dowry an excuse for delay. Then, most of the people of Bangassou are farmers growing cotton, manioc, rice etc., a very demanding and energy-consuming occupation that seriously hampers physical aging, and reduces the energy available for normal conjugal life.

Medical factors were the most important. Thirty per cent of husbands suffered from venereal disease, and gonorrhoea, observed in 10 cases out of 16 suggested "a sterility in women. There was also much prostitution.

The World Health Organization believes that conditions similar to those found by Professor Correa in Bangassou are also to be found, if in patchy form, in other parts of the low fertility belt of Central Africa. Where polygamy is rife, a contributing factor is that women breast-feed their children up to the age of three, and sexual intercourse during this period is taboo.

The U.N. Fund for Population Activities is helping the World Health Organization to pay to send a doctor and a social anthropologist to eastern Cameroon to study the causes of sterility there. The Fund is normally concerned with efforts to stem the population explosion in various parts of the world. This is the first time it has been concerned with the opposite.

Supermarket for 5

SUPERMART recently opened a brand new supermarket — for just five customers! The chain's seventeenth branch, covering an area of 250 square metres, is in the new housing estate completed at Beit Jalla, just outside Jerusalem. Supermarts had planned to open the shop at the end of August, when most of the quarter's new residents will have moved in. Meanwhile, five families were stranded with no shopping facilities, and the management decided to advance the opening in the interests of customer goodwill.



Paris couturier Yves Saint Laurent, surrounded by some of his more famous fashion fans after the showing of his winter collection in Paris last week. Left to right, actress Catherine Deneuve, novelist Francoise Sagan, and actress-dancer Zizi Jeanmaire. (UPI)

Thaw in China brings hot pants

SHANGHAI (UPI). — They're wearing hot pants in China now. Nothing sexy, suggestive or very fashionable — just cool and comfortable. Some great changes have taken place in China during recent months but few things have changed more dramatically than women's fashions.

During two previous trips to China in the past 10 months I did not see a single adult woman wearing a dress or skirt. All were clad in those baggy blue pants and matching jackets or, occasionally, the pants with only a white or coloured blouse and no jacket — an uncovered leg was never seen. In a recent two-week, six-city tour with an American Congressional delegation that ended here, I saw thousands of women wearing skirts or dresses. Not a few wore shorts that you could put in the hot pants class.

It may be the weather — for most of China is hot and humid in mid-summer but for the summers since the Cultural Revolution it has been just as hot and just as humid and China's females have stuck to the long pants, shunning skirts and dresses.

It's more likely that the blossoming of new female fashions is all part of the general liberalization and relaxed atmosphere that one senses in China these days in comparison with a few months ago.

The change in fashions apparently dates from June 19, when Chiang Ching, the wife of Communist Party Chairman Mao Tse-tung, turned up

unexpectedly at a basketball match between visiting American teams and Chinese squads in Peking. She wore a mid-length white dress — about the same length as the skirts or dresses now being worn by Chinese women — with matching white shoes and handbag.

Before the Cultural Revolution, the women of Shanghai always were in the vanguard of any new fashion trends. But today, the women in more of the way places, such as Sian, Wushih and Soochow — where far more women seem to be wearing shorts — appear to be ahead of those in Shanghai and Peking in taking to the new fashion trend.

Separate but equal

By LEA LEVAVI

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Until now, the joint property of a couple, after divorce, was not divided equally between husband and wife unless the two agreed to share equally. But a law passed at the end of this last Knesset session turns the tables completely. For couples who marry after January 1, 1974, the law requires equal division of joint property in case of divorce, unless the couple has reached a specific agreement to the contrary.

This law, which the women of the Labour Movement have been attempting to pass for more than a decade — was the subject of a Labour Alignment press conference held in Tel Aviv last week. "We have to explain to women that they shouldn't enter into any agreements about property distribution," Knesset Member Shoshana Arbeli, who pushed hard to get the law passed, said. "They are better off to just take advantage of the 50-50 division provided for in the law."

But not everyone was satisfied with the new law. Former Knesset Member Ruth Heklin — who fought for the bill in the early days of its long and involved history: "The law shouldn't provide for any agreements at all. I spend part of my time working with new immigrants and I meet women from Bokhara and Georgia who don't even know what their husbands earn. Women like these could be pressured into making agreements which would give them less than 50 per cent."

Mrs. Heklin objected to the fact that the law is not retroactive. Thousands of couples already married are not to be protected by it. "I agree with you," Mrs. Arbeli Almozino said. "But considering all the trouble we had getting this law passed, we are lucky we got this much. If we had held out the law still wouldn't be on the books. Eventually, we may be able to push through an amendment making the law retroactive."



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Steering the family through crises

by JUDY SIEGEL

Special to The Post

WHEN a family whose members rarely communicate with each other is faced with a sudden or severe crisis, it may totter and fall like a house of cards. Death or illness of a parent, shifts in male and female roles, conflicts between the generations, changes in financial status — all these and more can stretch family ties to the breaking point. To provide short-term help for those who would not receive it elsewhere, Shiluv, Jerusalem's family care and counselling service, was established.

"It began in 1970 as a loose group practice of volunteer social workers who were interested in treating the family as a unit," explains Dr. Naomi Golan, chairman of Shiluv's board of directors. Financial support by the Institute for Demography of the Prime Minister's Office and by the Ministry of Social Welfare began to be channelled through the Municipality of Jerusalem in 1971. The grants have enabled Shiluv to hire 14 highly-trained professionals who come from several disciplines, including psychology, social work, psychiatry and education. "Most of them have 10 to 15 years of experience and hold full — or part-time jobs in other agencies," says Joan Ivry, coordinator of professional services for Shiluv. "They are easily reached and on call, so clients are seen within a week of their initial request for help."

Families learn of Shiluv's services by word-of-mouth passing by, its Jerusalem office and referrals by lawyers, rabbis, teachers and other agencies. "Private psychologists are available to the public, but they are often too expensive for those who need assistance," says Dr. Golan, "and our clients don't necessarily have mental problems. Government agencies usually have long waiting lists and are forced to limit the range of their services by setting priorities. Shiluv does not substitute for these counselling services; it complements them."

Those whom the Shiluv counselors feel they cannot help are referred to more appropriate agencies. Between April and June of this year, 25 of the 60 who applied were in active counselling. All cases are kept in strict confidence. Although most of their clients are middle- and lower-middle-class families, all are welcome, including single adults, and fees are graduated according to gross income.

"Unfortunately, modern families have lost much of their traditional importance in the education of their children and their integration into society," notes Mrs. Ivry. "At the same time, many of their difficulties reflect a series of constellations in the family that makes it difficult to treat each member in isolation from the others." "But when they are encouraged to talk openly in a trusting and objective atmosphere," continues Dr. Golan, "the problems are often thrashed out and resolved."

When a man who had a heart attack returned home from the hospital unable to work, his family discussed ways of making him feel productive and useful. A couple suffering from the "empty nest syndrome" after their children had married were encouraged to find new ways to communicate and spend their leisure time. An Israeli who married an American girl and complained of marital problems soon realized with his adviser's help that they were due to subtle cultural differences. In a case of loneliness, the reasons for the person's estrangement were analysed, and with other people were discussed.

"We don't believe in discovering final cures or merely giving advice," asserts Dr. Golan. "If they can survive the crisis, we feel we have succeeded, even if another is to follow. Our main goals are to help them to clarify the problem, to function more adequately and to meet future difficulties with more self-confidence and understanding."

Appointments with Shiluv counselors can be made in their office at 4 Rehov Abarbanel or by calling 3880 on Sundays between 10 a.m. and noon, Mondays and Wednesdays between 4 and 7 p.m., and Tuesdays between 9 a.m. and noon.

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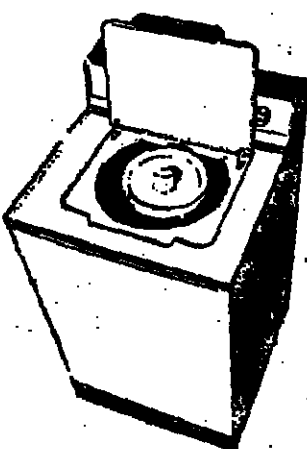
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Higher interest rates in U.S.

NEW YORK (AP). — Banking sources welcomed the Nixon administration's proposal to reform the U.S. financial system Friday, saying it would strengthen the U.S. dollar abroad.

A spokesman for one major New York bank said the proposal to phase out interest rate ceilings from U.S. bank deposits would create "more perfect competition" between the U.S. banking system and the Eurodollar markets in Europe and elsewhere.

Otto Roethemann, senior vice president of Deak and Co., a major foreign exchange dealer, said this was "a step in the right direction. It will recreate confidence in the U.S. dollar, which is what is needed."

Roethemann said that currently U.S. corporations can borrow money in the U.S. at 8 1/2 per cent and then re-lend it abroad in the Eurodollar market at rates as much as 11 1/2 per cent. He said this causes a constant drain of funds away from the U.S. and that higher interest rates in the U.S. would stem the outflow of dollars.

His statement came after President Nixon on Friday proposed major changes in America's financial system, including phasing out interest rate ceilings on savings and other bank deposits over a 5 1/2-year period.

The recommendations include inducements to banks and financial institutions to lend more money for home mortgages by providing a tax credit on the amount of mortgage loans.

In addition, savings and loan associations would be able to offer checking account services and the so-called "Now" accounts would be authorized for both commercial banks and savings and loan associations.

Now stands for "negotiable order of withdrawal" and provides for negotiated rates of interest on checking accounts.

There were seven major changes in the financial package released, at the White House. They followed a study of the country's financial institutions initiated by the President in 1971.

Deputy Secretary of the Treasury William E. Simon described the proposed changes as "the first major restructuring of our financial system since 1865 without a crisis being present."

He emphasized at a news briefing that a major goal of the changes is to maintain a flow of deposit money into banks and savings and loan institutions by lifting the interest rate ceilings.

Nixon said in his statement: "My recommendations, and the increased competition that would follow, should reduce the cost of the entire package of financial services for the consumer."

He said the consumer who saves his money would be assured a fair return on his savings.



Grain sacks await transportation from the quayside in Dakar, Senegal, to the drought-stricken areas of Western Africa. The 28,000 tons of grain shown above are part of the large shipments of relief aid supplied by Common Market countries, Canada and the U.S. to the six sub-Saharan states — Mali, Niger, Upper Volta, Mauritania, Chad and Senegal — which are experiencing their worst drought in history, after five years of abnormal rainfall. (UPI)

World losing faith in paper currency: Burns

WASHINGTON (AP). — The world is losing its faith in paper money and the trend will continue unless inflation is brought under control, U.S. Federal Reserve Board Chairman Arthur F. Burns said Friday.

Testifying before a Senate-House Economic Committee, Burns said the lack of confidence in paper currencies has struck the dollar the hardest.

"The dollar is a badly undervalued currency and that is hurting our economy," he said. "When it is undervalued, we sell our goods to other countries at giveaway prices."

Burns said that fear that inflation would continue in the U.S. probably was the main reason why the dollar dropped so steeply in value early this year.

He said that he has deep scepticism about the current system of floating exchange rates in which currencies find their value in the market from day to day.

"While we should not return to a system of exchange rates as inflexible as the one evolved under the Bretton Woods arrangements, we also cannot afford a system that is subject to the kind of destabilizing speculation that we have seen recently," Burns said.

The present monetary system was worked out during negotiations at Bretton Woods, New Hampshire, a quarter-century ago.

Burns said when the floating system of exchange rates was established in March, many conservative central bankers from other nations backed the idea to halt the monetary crisis.

"I was myself a little affected by this contagion," Burns said. But then, he said, his scepticism came back when he considered how the dollar declined and the monetary turmoil continued.

"The recollection I have of the 30s comes sharply back into my mind," he said.

Burns predicted that America's trade position will improve "so that by 1974 and 1975 we should be experiencing a sizable trade surplus for the first time since the mid-1960s."

Mr. Burns also said that a further rise of prices in the next few months is unavoidable and that interest rates will remain high as a result.

He said he favours moving toward elimination of mandatory wage-price controls where competition is effective in keeping down prices.

But the head of the U.S. independence central bank said that some government control over wages and prices in key industries where competition is inadequate probably will be required for a long time.

He said the expected increase in prices can be minimized if the government takes action to avoid overheating the economy.

Reform urged in company taxation

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A REFORM of company taxation after the Canadian model has been suggested by Professor Eitan Berglass in the recent issue of "The Economic Quarterly."

Company profits may be taxed in different ways, making a distinction between distributed and undistributed profits. Moreover, the tax paid by a company on the distributed profits (i.e., dividends) may or may not be taken into account in taxing the individual shareholder.

If the tax paid by the company is not taken into account in computing the personal tax liability, the dividend is in effect subject to double taxation. However, such treatment can be defended by several considerations.

First, limited company enjoys substantial legal advantages compared with an individual enterprise or a partnership, and income derived by the shareholder in such a company ought to be taxed at a somewhat higher rate than ordinary income, that is directly earned.

TAX AS COST
More impressive is an argument based on detailed studies which show that companies tend to treat the tax on profit as cost, and in a good many cases they ultimately succeed in shifting the burden of this tax onto the consumer. To the extent that this tendency prevails, double taxation may be effective in the short run (e.g., when the tax rate is altered), but not in the long run, because it is eventually offset by changes in the profit volume.

The most important argument, however, is based on the loophole provided by the capital gains tax. For various reasons, partly market and partly administrative practice, capital gains everywhere are either tax-free or subject to a special, low tax rate. A company therefore has the alternative of reinvesting all its profits, thus increasing its assets and the intrinsic worth of its shares (as well as their market quotations, if they are listed on the stock exchange). In such a case, the shareholders get no dividends but are nevertheless able to avail themselves of the company's profits by selling part of their shares representing that value increment, and paying a lower tax or none on the realized capital gain.

Since a company almost never distributes its entire profits — part is retained for reserves or expansion — shareholders usually benefit from the resulting appreciation of their property even when regular dividends are declared (whence the custom of distributing share bonuses). In theory this fiscal loophole could be closed by an appropriate raising of the tax rate on company profits so as to tax the amounts ploughed back also.

In practice, however, a high rate in this tax would penalize shareholders with modest incomes, making them pay more on their share in the retained profit than they ought to, according to their marginal (personal) rate. To retroactively offset excess tax payment is very inconvenient. The preferable alternative, therefore, is to leave the tax rate on non-distributed profits relatively low, while heavily taxing the distributed profits.

LEAST OBSTRUCTION
Nevertheless, this solution is not a happy one, and most countries are still looking for a formula best suited to their conditions — in particular for one least obstructing business activity and economic growth. In the U.S. both reinvested and distributed profits are taxed at the same rate at the company level, on top of which the dividends are subject to the full marginal rate of the shareholder's personal tax. Such a system obviously encourages the accumulation of companies' reserves, thus making for their financial independence, and interesting shareholders in their investment yield and in price-earnings ratios rather than in cash dividends.

On the other hand, the new Canadian system allows a shareholder to offset the tax paid by the company on the dividend received by him against his personal tax, so that

double taxation is avoided. On the other hand, capital gains from selling shares are to be made subject to a special tax.

In Israel the tax pattern is a mixture of the above extreme approaches. Our companies are subject to two taxes: to the company tax (at the current rate of 38 per cent) on the entire profits and to the income tax on the residual (currently 25 per cent of the residual or 15 1/2 per cent of the total profit).

The basic difference between the two taxes is, however, not their rate but that the company tax cannot be offset against the personal tax liability, while the income tax is only a withholding tax. The effective tax rate on company profits is therefore at least 53 1/2 per cent (38 plus 15 1/2) although the marginal tax rate (applied to dividends) may reach after the recent tax cuts 70 per cent. This tax pattern also encourages the reinvesting of profits, in order to escape the high personal tax incidence and to benefit from the growth of assets, which can be realized at a much lower tax rate.

Shares quoted on the Tel Aviv stock exchange are free from the capital gains tax. For other shares this tax declines with duration of ownership from a maximum of 40 per cent to nil (after 18 years). One should also bear in mind that in many cases the accumulation of assets allows a company to save on taxes by means of accelerated depreciation allowances.

UNDEVELOPED STATE
That such heavy discrimination against distribution of profits has not met with opposition seems to be due largely to the undeveloped state of most Israeli companies, which are relatively new and in most cases controlled by small groups of investors, mainly members of the founding families. Such people can share in the profits by paying themselves excessive fees and salaries (as long as their personal tax rates are lower than those applied to the dividend) while nevertheless retaining control of the reinvested profits. As a matter of fact, a recent survey has revealed the remarkable fact that out of 11,525 m. of gross profit and 11,340 m. of net (after tax) profit

earned by companies in 1970 only 11.6 m. was distributed to shareholders. Incidentally, this amount was but a fraction of the income earned by company managers that year.

To be sure, dividends of Israeli companies have increased dramatically since 1970, but there is no reason to presume that this involved a change in the basic pattern.

From the fiscal angle, the current system is bad because company profits are taxed — in practice — at a rate substantially below what is intended, and because it involves many exceptions and administrative discretion. Since ordinary dividends are subject to very high tax rates (not applied in most cases), tax ceilings have been granted to "approved" enterprises and to companies with stocks quoted on the Tel Aviv stock exchange, relieving them from the top marginal rates. On the other hand, the tax authorities may at their discretion disregard decisions of a company controlled by a few persons, and treat reinvested profits as if they were distributed.

However, in practice, this discretion has been made use of only in very few cases. As a result, the effective rate of tax applied to company profits may range from 81 1/4 per cent (apart from the compulsory defence loan) to 33 per cent and even less.

MAJOR FACTOR
Inevitably tax considerations have become a major factor in our country, affecting and warping business decisions. A good deal of managerial initiative is directed, if not to tax evasion, to tax avoidance. Currently companies provide one-quarter of our total income tax revenue, but actually their share should be much more than that, relieving other taxpayers.

The reform suggested by Professor Berglass would abolish the present two-tier taxation, and replace it with a higher company tax, though it would follow Canada's example in linking this tax to the personal one. It would, however, distinguish between ordinary companies and those controlled by a few shareholders. The latter would be subject to a withholding tax of 65 per cent on their total profits. The former would be subject to a 50 per cent tax on total profits plus a 30 per

cent withholding tax on the distributed profits, which would also amount to 65 per cent on the latter ones, though with part of it (above 50 per cent) included in the recipient's personal tax.

Professor Berglass argues that this would put an end to the preferential position currently enjoyed — in practice if not in theory — by the companies controlled by a few persons, while companies with a large ownership would be able to let their shareholders take part in profits without incurring exorbitant tax rates. The tax rate — including the personal income tax — would be at most 65 per cent (50 plus 30 on the residual 50) or less according to the shareholder's marginal rate (in which case the excess tax would be repaid). He argues that this system would also allow us to dispense with the privileges currently enjoyed by "productive" (i.e., mainly manufacturing) companies, as well as by those listed on the stock exchange.

BUSINESS SAVINGS
Professor Berglass admits that the crux of the problem is the reform's probable effect on business savings. He calculates that in spite of the higher rate of the company tax, both companies and shareholders will be better off; but his arguments are not quite reassuring, because he seems to count on the abolition of the defence loan, which is evidently a separate matter. Incidentally, he quotes the Canadian trail-blazing Carter Committee to the effect that a solution for this issue can be found only if personal income tax rates are held within reasonable limits, i.e., not higher than 50 per cent.

Since he feels that we must maintain our tax rates much above this level, he is obviously unable to propose a reform that would be really satisfactory. However, there is no doubt that a reform of the companies' taxation must be put high on our fiscal agenda.

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